THE BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW IS CLOSING KANSAS' DIGITAL DIVIDE

The University of Kansas researchers recently <u>found</u> that up to 1 million Kansans live in regions that lack access to high-speed broadband services at adequate speeds. The bipartisan infrastructure law is bridging the digital divide in Kansas and connecting households to affordable, reliable, high-speed internet service. Representative Sharice Davids (KS-03) was the only member of the Kansas delegation to vote for the bipartisan infrastructure law.

Total State Funding:

\$499,143,198.51

KS Funding Amount	Program Description	Awarding Agency
\$451,725,998.15	The Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program provides federal investments to expand high-speed internet access by funding planning, infrastructure deployment, and adoption programs across the country.	NTIA, Department of Commerce
\$4,210,317.00	The Tribal Connectivity Program (TBCP) supports Tribal governments bringing high-speed internet to Tribal lands, including telehealth, distance learning, affordability, and digital inclusion initiatives.	NTIA, Department of Commerce
\$42,514,219.13	The Enabling Middle Mile Broadband Infrastructure Program reduces the cost of bringing high-speed internet service to unserved and underserved communities by connecting local networks to major networks.	NTIA, Department of Commerce
\$692,664,38	The Digital Equity Act established three grant programs that promote digital equity and inclusion.	NTIA, Department of Commerce